enunciated above. The DAVP will enter into appropriate rate contracts with individuals newspapers/journals.

Telecast of movies on National Network

*26. DR. RANBIR SINGH:
SHRI RAMNATH KOVIND:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 8 to 10 movies are being telecast on national network in a week;

(b) whether Government are aware that most of the time is wasted by the children in seeing TV movies and serials; and

(c) if so, what steps are being taken to reduce the number of movies being telecast in view of health hazard and deterioration of education standards?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO): (a) Three feature films (including regional films) in a week and one children's film on 2nd Tuesday of every month are telecast by Doordarshan on national network.

(b) and (c) The activities of the children are generally controlled by their parents and guardians and exposure to TV viewing can be regulated by them only.

Opening of office of RBI in Durgapur

*27. SHRIMATI CHANDRA KALA PANDEY:
SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Reserve Bank of India had agreed to open a second office of the bank in the State of West Bengal at Durgapur;

(b) whether 18 acres of land for this purpose were acquired in 1983 from Steel Authority of India and an architect was appointed for finalisation of construction of office building and staff quarters; and

(c) whether the development of the land and infrastructure has already been completed, but there is no move from RBI to go ahead with the project and open second office at Durgapur; if so, the reasons for delay and the time-bound plan to open this office?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKHAR MURTHY): (a) Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has intimated that though there was a proposal in 1982/83 to open a Sub-Office of the Calcutta Issue Department at Durgapur there was no commitment to open a second fullfledged office.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) RBI has reported that the development of infrastructure for the plots was undertaken by the Durgapur Steel Plant Authority on deposit basis and the entire development work has been completed by them. However, owing to delegation of further powers to commercial banks in the field of currency management, conduct of Government business, etc., RBI has no plans to open a sub office at Durgapur in the near future.

Loans to small scale industries in Karnataka

*28. SHRI GUNDAPPA KORWAR: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of loan applications received from small scale industries by the public sector banks in Karnataka during the last three years and the amount sanctioned till date;

(b) the steps taken by Government to provide timely financial assistance to applicants/small scale units for avoiding industrial sickness;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the action proposed to be taken by the Union Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKHAR MURTHY): (a) The data reporting system of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) does not generate information in the manner asked for. However, according to the latest available data furnished by RBI as on the last Friday of March 1992 and 1993, the number of small scale industrial (SSI) units and outstanding credit of scheduled commercial banks in the State of Karnataka was as under:

(Rs. in crores)

Last Friday of March	No. of Accounts	Amount Outstanding
1992	1,71,130	1176.3
1993	1,41,453	1350.2

(b) to (d) RBI has issued instructions to all scheduled commercial banks that applications upto a credit limit of Rs. 25,000/- should be disposed of within a fortnight and those for over Rs. 25,000/- within 8-9 weeks from the date of receipt of application. Banks have also been advised that requests for increase in credit limits should be considered expeditiously and decision taken promptly and in any case within six weeks.

Electronic application in jute sector

*29. SHRI RAHASBIHARI BARIK: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have a proposal for introduction of electronic application in the Jutt Sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof and what would be its financial implication; and

(c) the amount of Central assistance proposed to be sanctioned by the Central Government for the purpose?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) to (c) Under the UNDP assisted Jute Programme a project has been approved on development and application of electronic control and instrumentation system for jute industry. Government of India and the UNDP contribution of Rs. 2 crore and US $ 0.6 million respectively have been approved as outlay for this project.

ताप और पन-बिजली उत्पादन

*30. **श्री दिलीप सिंह जूदेव :** क्या विद्युत मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि पन-बिजली उत्पादन की तुलना में ताप बिजली उत्पादन में वृद्धि हो रही है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं;

(ग) छठी और सातवीं पंचवर्षीय योजनाओं के अन्त में ताप बिजली और पन-बिजली उत्पादन की प्रतिशतता कितनी-कितनी थी और आठवीं पंचवर्षीय योजना के अन्त तक ताप बिजली और पन-बिजली का कितना-कितना उत्पादन होने का अनुमान है; और

(घ) पन-बिजली उत्पादन में वृद्धि करने हेतु क्या उपाय किए जाने का विचार है ?